
and it is our belief that they will not refuse to heed this our appeal for 1909.

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PAUL GALTES.

One of the oldest and most esteemed subscribers of the Indian Advocate is Mr. Paul Galtes of California. Mr. Galtes is a retired merchant of Bakersfield. He was born at Catalina, Spain, on October 25, 1840. In 1861 he left his native land and in 1869 he reached San Francisco and then came to Los Angeles where he studied at St. Vincent's College. In 1872 Mr. Galtes opened a small store in Bakersfield, a store so small in fact that it was little more than a stall. There was no railroad touching Bakersfield in those days and the stocks of goods for the merchants had to come by stage and wagon train. Mr. Galtes' place of business was a center for the Catholic people of the Bakersfield region and Rt. Rev. Bishop Amat celebrated Mass in the Galtes store in 1871. Upon the occasion of the Bishop's visit he was accompanied by Fathers Duran and Dade. There were but five white families in Bakersfield when Mr. Galtes began business there. In 1874 Mr. Galtes married Mariana Lasague and they have four children. Mr. Galtes is a member of Bakersfield Council Knights of Columbus, and he has been the treasurer of the Council since it was instituted. He takes an active part in the affairs of St. Francis parish of which he is a pioneer member.

